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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
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EXAMINING GROUP 1771  
PATENT  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)
Mitsuo HORIKAWA	) Group Art Unit: 1771
Application No.: 10/046,286	) Examiner: J. Boyd
Filed: January 16, 2002	) Confirmation No.: 2337
For: SLIDE FASTENER TAPE	) Mail Stop AF

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 1, 2004, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.116, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.